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Tunnelton Conemaugh TWP Fire Department Receives Critical Fire Grant

Washington, D.C. – **Congressman Bill Shuster** is pleased to announce that the Tunnelton Conemaugh TWP Fire Department, Indiana County, has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$43,521 through the Department of Homeland Security’s Assistance to Fire Fighters Grant Program.

The fire company will use the grant to purchase new hydraulic extrication tools for their rescue operations as well as a washer/extractor to allow the fire company to clean and maintain their equipment in the fire house.

“I congratulate the firefighters of the Tunnelton V.F.D. for their successful grant application,” said Congressman Shuster.

“This grant is critical for the firefighters as well as the members of the community they serve. The upgraded extrication equipment they will buy with this grant will save lives and the Washer/extractor will keep costs down by making equipment last much longer,” Shuster added.

According to Fire Chief Rick Bouch “This grant is a great asset to us. It enables our department to afford to purchase upgraded and current equipment. This is exciting to our members.”

The Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program (AFGP) awards one-year grants directly to fire departments and rescue personnel to support the nation’s first responders and the services they deliver. The Department of Homeland Security’s Office of State and Local Government Coordination and Preparedness (SLGCP) administers the program, in cooperation with the U.S. Fire Administration.

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